close down the hotels at the various airports?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). Long gestation period of the projects undertaken loan repayment any heavy interest burden are the main reasons for the losses incurred.

(c) Efforts are being made to increase the business and improve the quality of services to meet the competition.

(d) No, Sir.

[*Translation*]

Conversion of Myhorpur Airport into Commercial Airport

6250. SHRI RAM NIHOR RAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to develop the existing Myhorpur, Sonabhadra, Uttar Pradesh, Air field as commercial Airport;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) None of the scheduled airlines have proposed to start air service from this airfield.

Food Processing Industries

6251. SHRI DHARMANNA MONDAYYA SADUL: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of food processing units set up in private, public and joint sectors in the country as on December, 1991;

(b) the items of food and other connected items being processed by these units alongwith their locations;

(c) whether the Government have recently libralised rules for setting up such units in country;

(d) if so, criteria fixed for setting up such units; and

(e) the number of units likely to be set up during 1992-93 in each sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b). While information in regard to number and details of all food processing industries are not maintained centrally, information with regard to number of rice mills, roller flour mills, fruits and vegetable processing units and sweetened aerated water manufacturing units registered under EPO and fish processing units, State-wise are given in the Statement I. Three public sector undertakings, namely, Modern Food Industries (India) Limited, North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketing Corporation and Hindustan Vegetable Oil Corpn. Limited under the administrative control of Central Government and having units at various parts of the country, manufacture bread, fruit based beverages, energy food, extruded food, fruit juice concentrates, vanaspati edible oils, corn flakes, oat meals, texturised soya protein etc.

(c) and (d). As per new Industrial Policy announced by the Government in July, 1991, no industrial licence is required for setting up